

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Application Zhangzhen JIANG et al.

Applicant: Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.

For: Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) Tributary Module and SDH Equipment Node

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

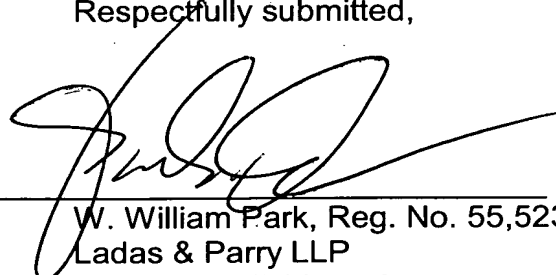
This is a preliminary amendment to the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Claims 4-6 and 10 have been amended to remove the multiple dependency format, and Claims 11-18 have been added. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-18 are now pending.

Respectfully submitted,

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